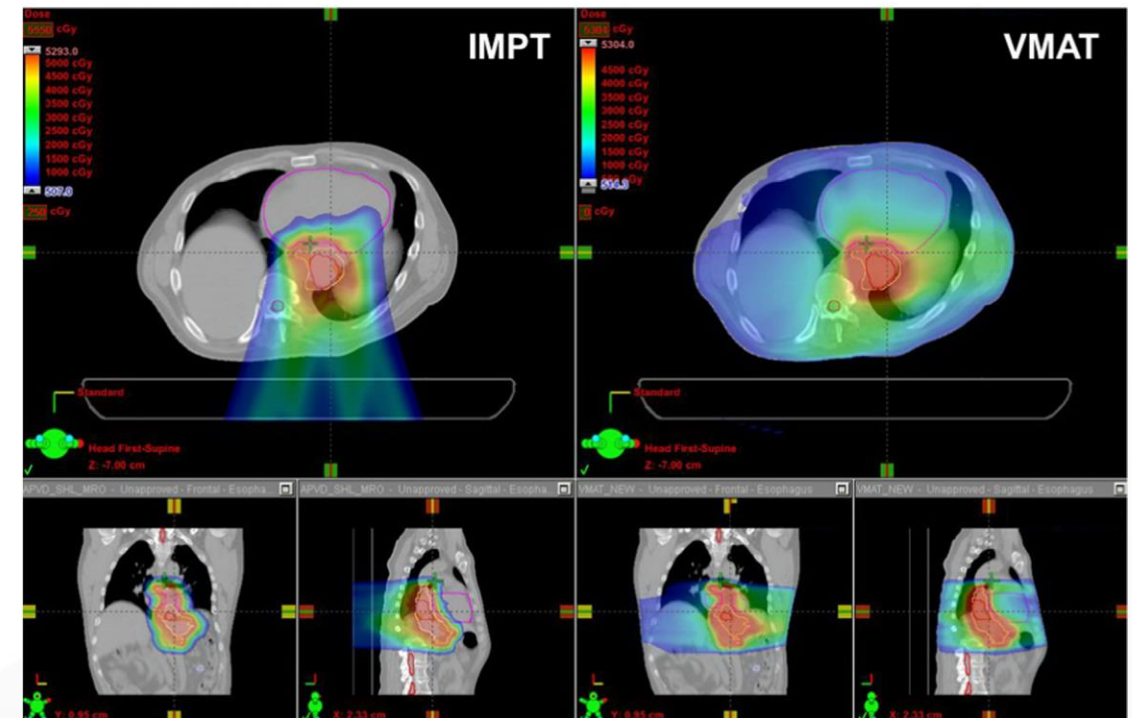
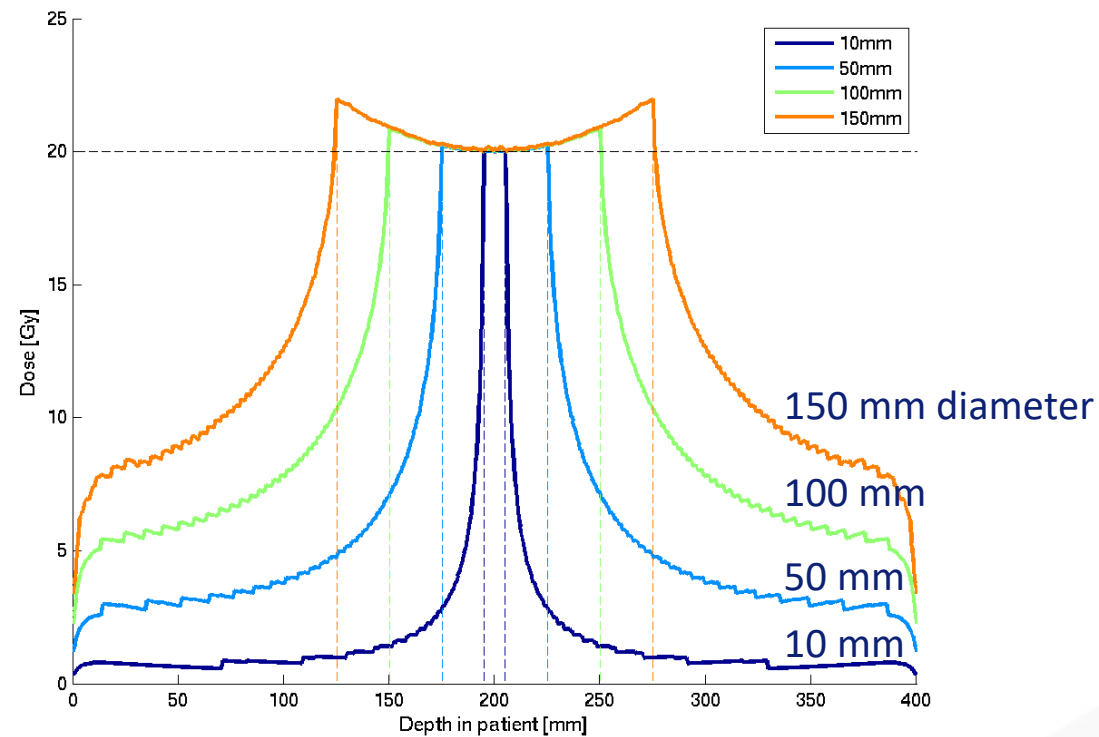


De uitdagingen en kansen bij protonentherapie voor longkanker

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Protons Yield Better Dose Distributions



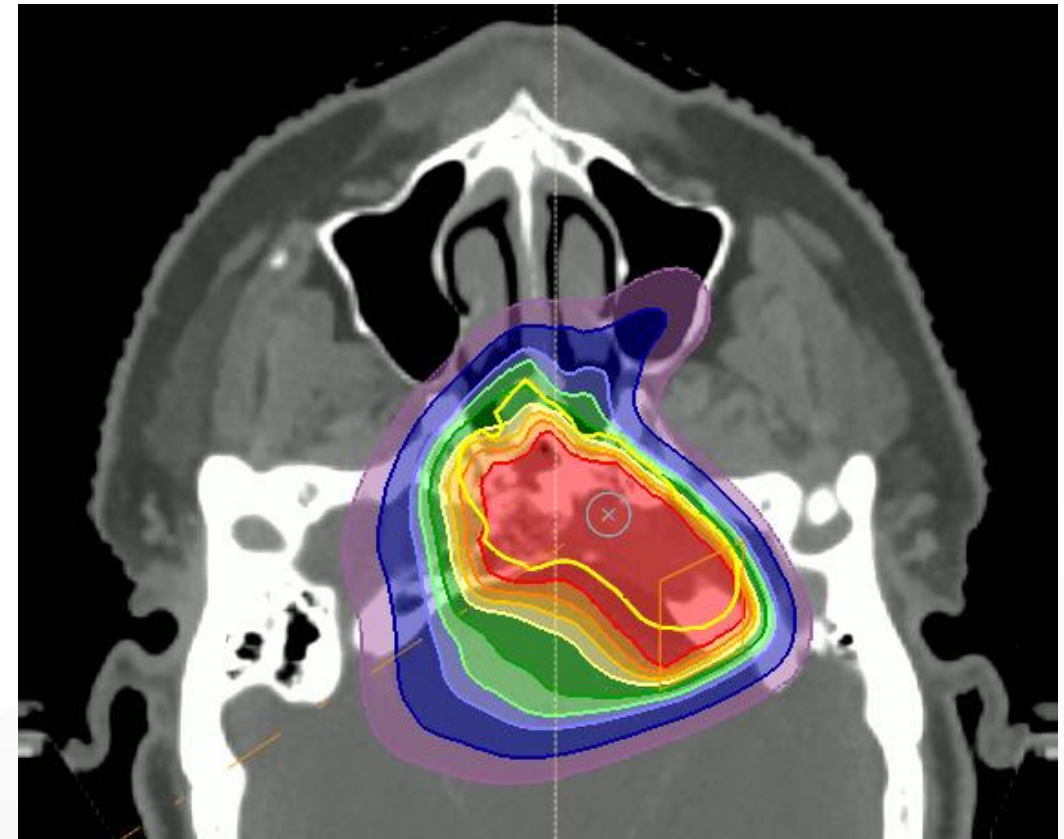
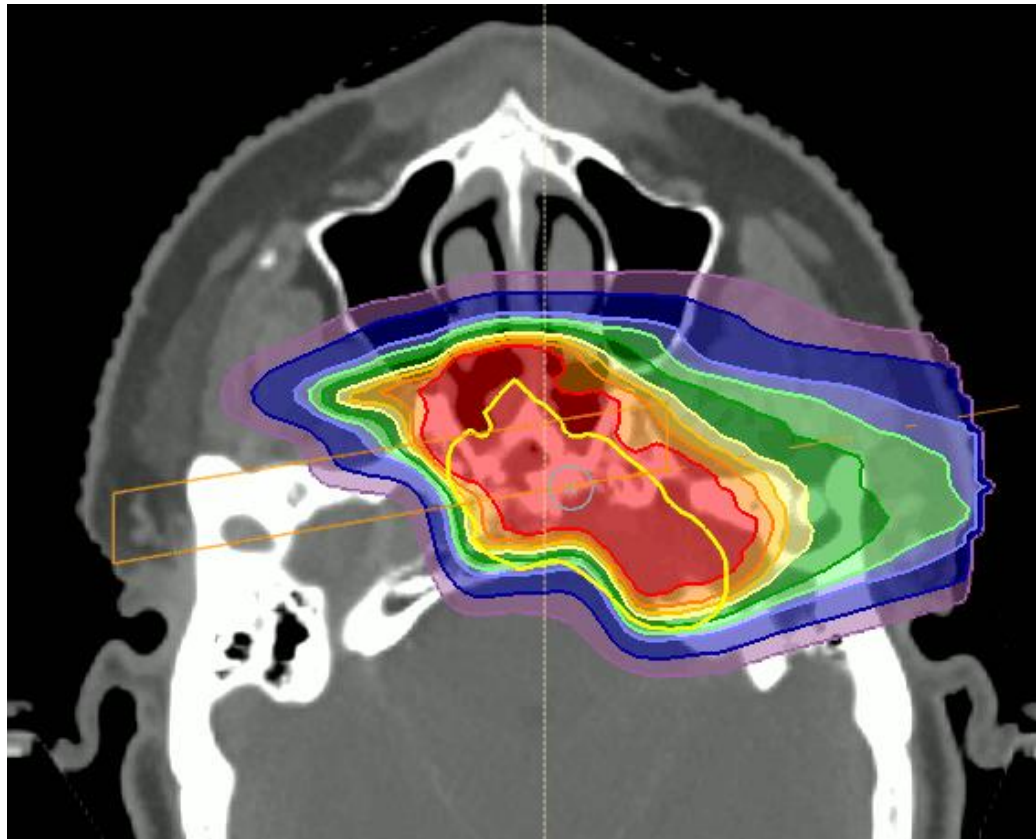
It's All About Physics Where the Protons Stop

$$S = -\frac{dE}{dx} = \frac{4\pi}{m_e c^2} \cdot \frac{\overset{\text{electron density}}{nz^2}}{\underset{\text{v/c of protons}}{\beta^2}} \cdot \left(\frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0}\right)^2 \cdot \left[\ln\left(\frac{2mec^2\beta}{I \cdot (1 - \beta^2)}\right) - \beta^2 \right]$$

energy loss

mean excitation potential

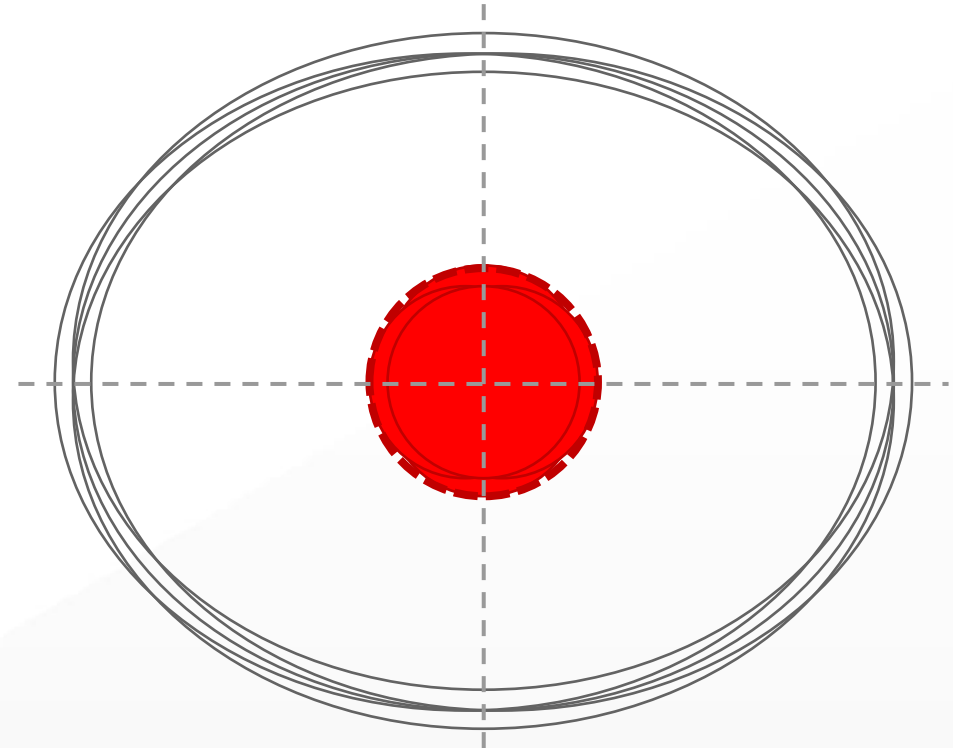
Dose Uncertainty



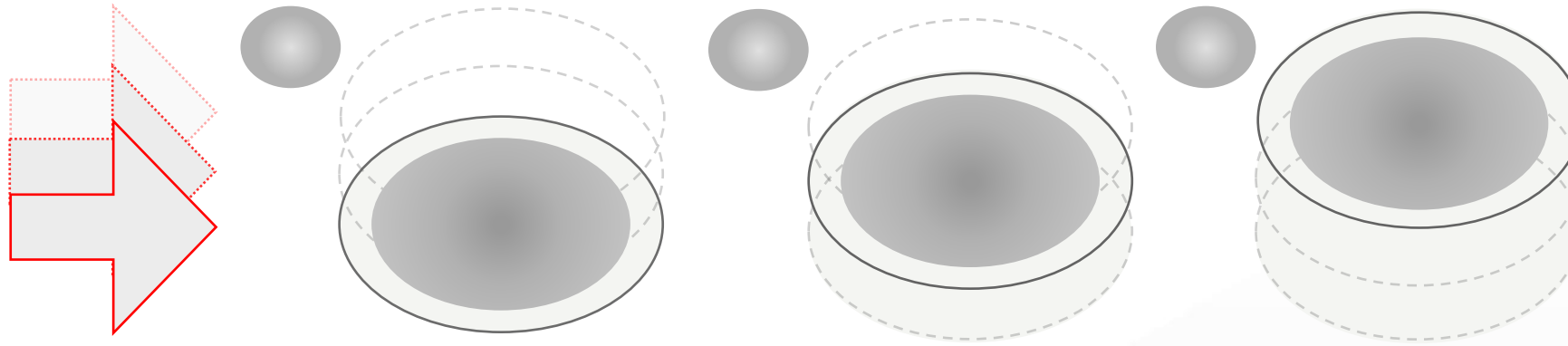
Robust Treatment Planning

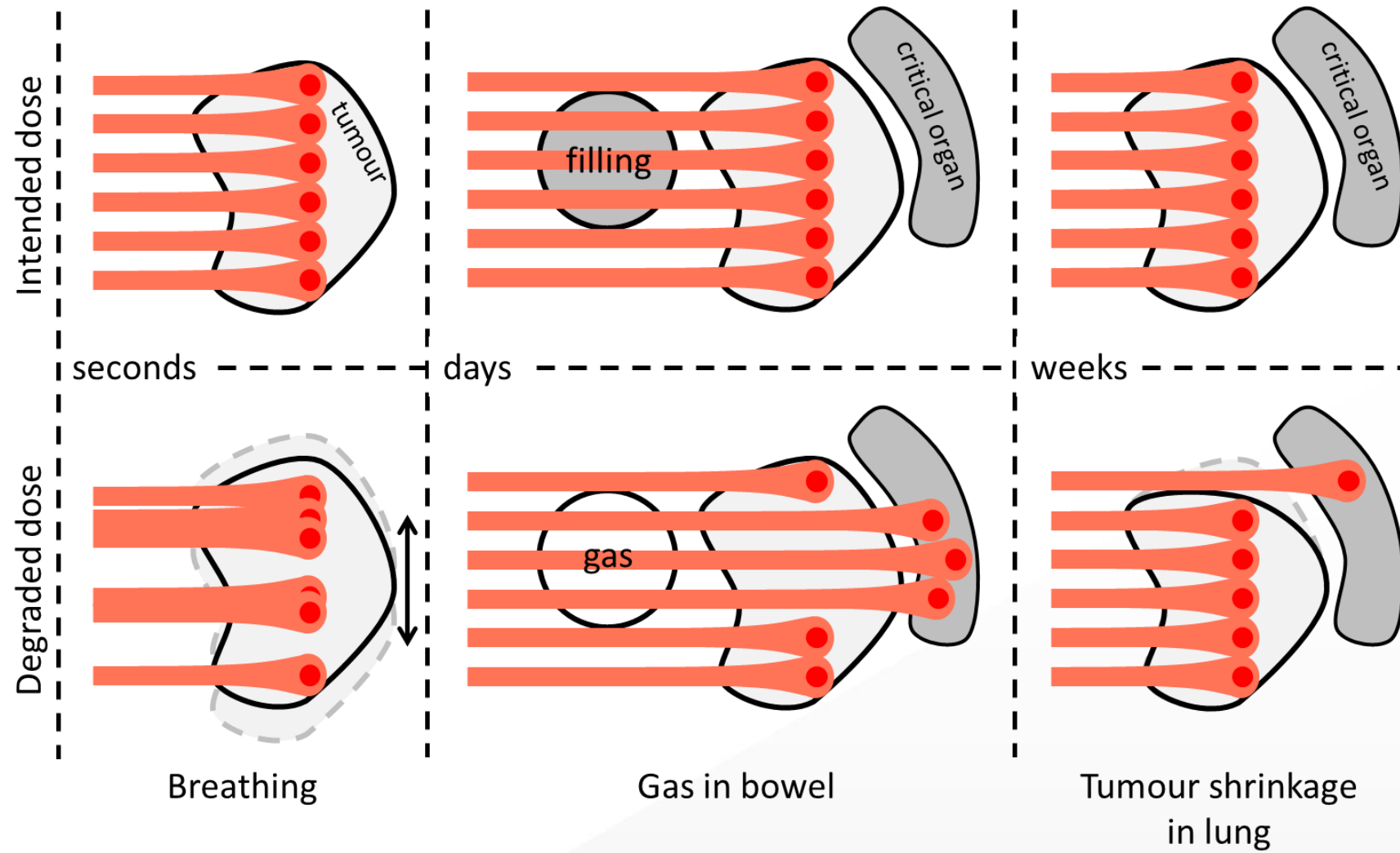
Accounts for density variations along the pencil beam paths

Include overshoots and undershoots of the pencil beams caused by stopping power uncertainties

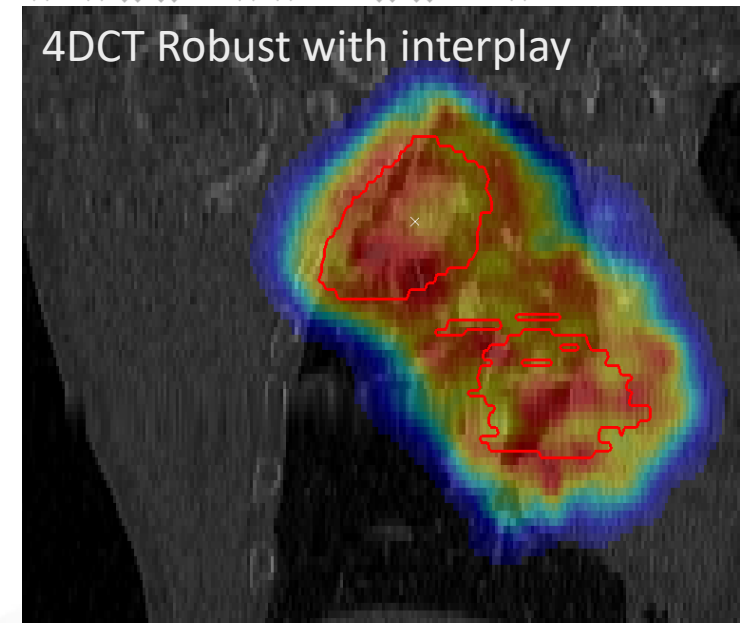
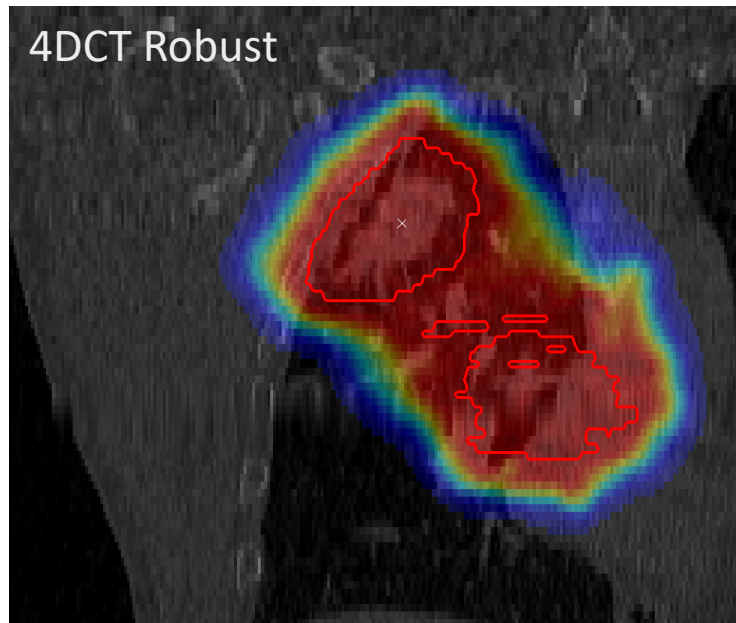
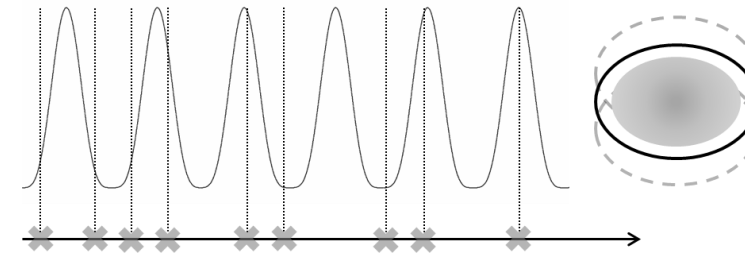


4DCT Robust Optimization



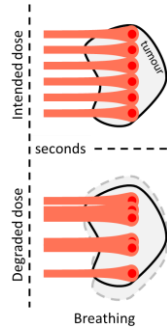


4DCT Robust Plans

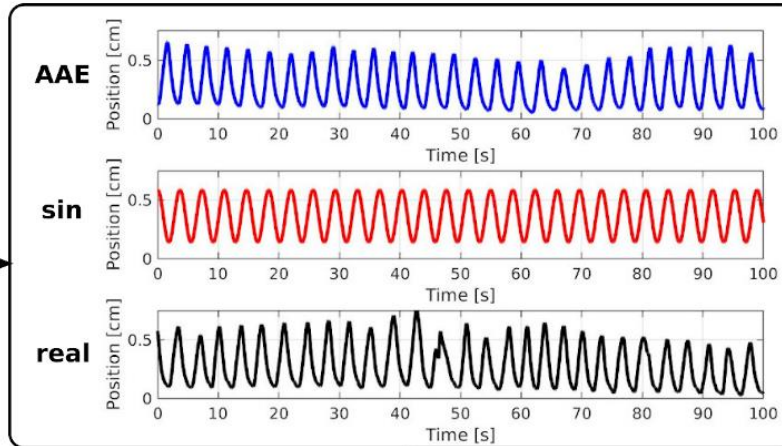




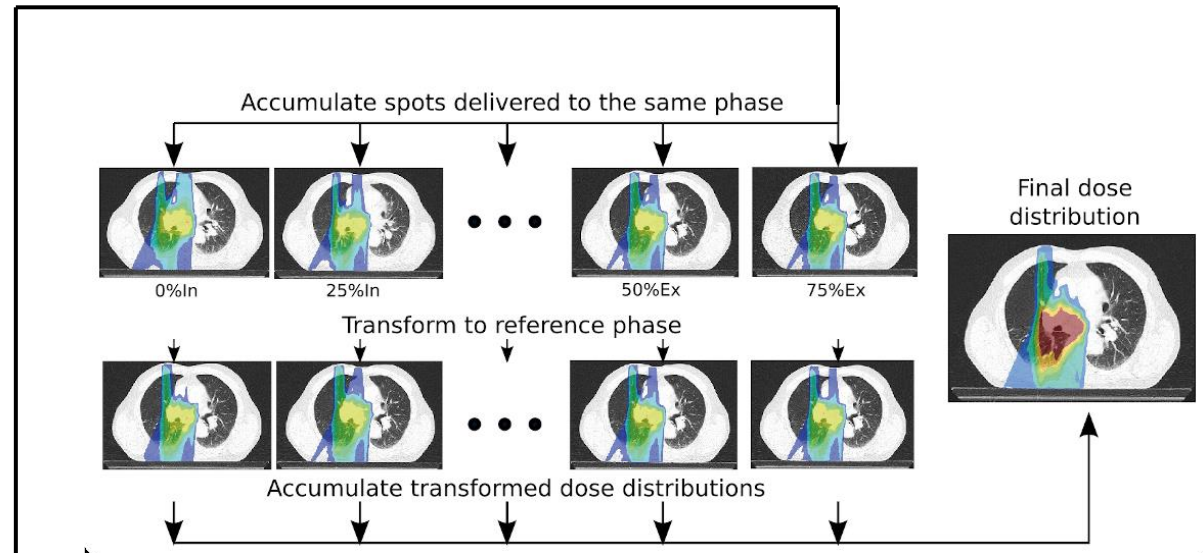
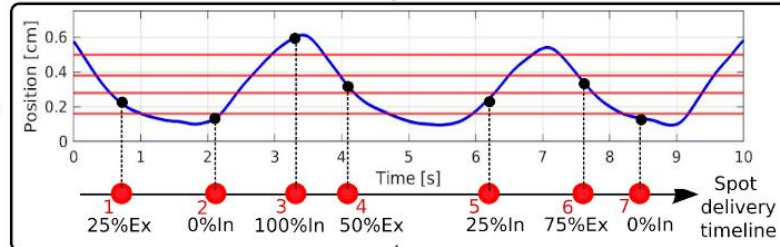
Oscar Pastor Serrano



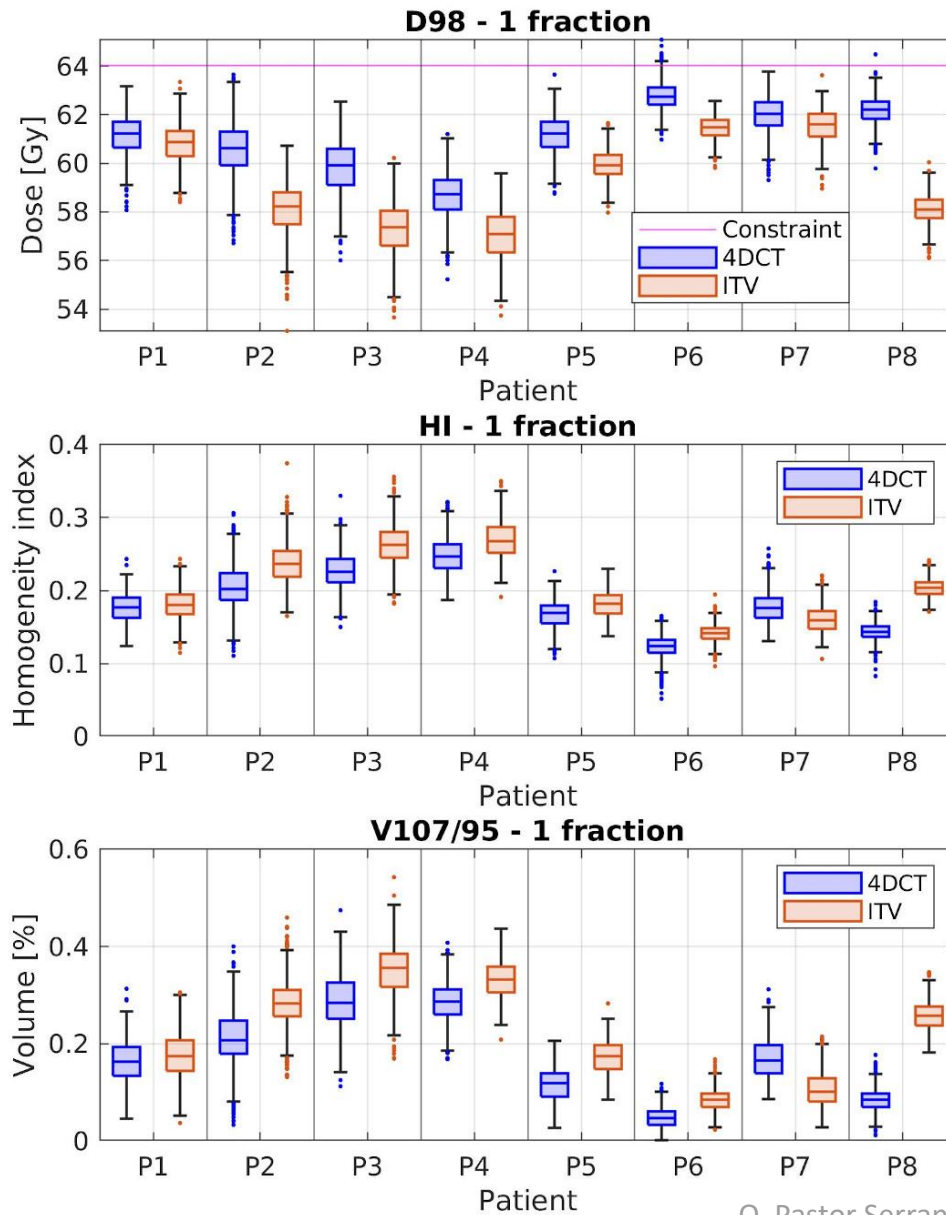
Real signal or breathing model



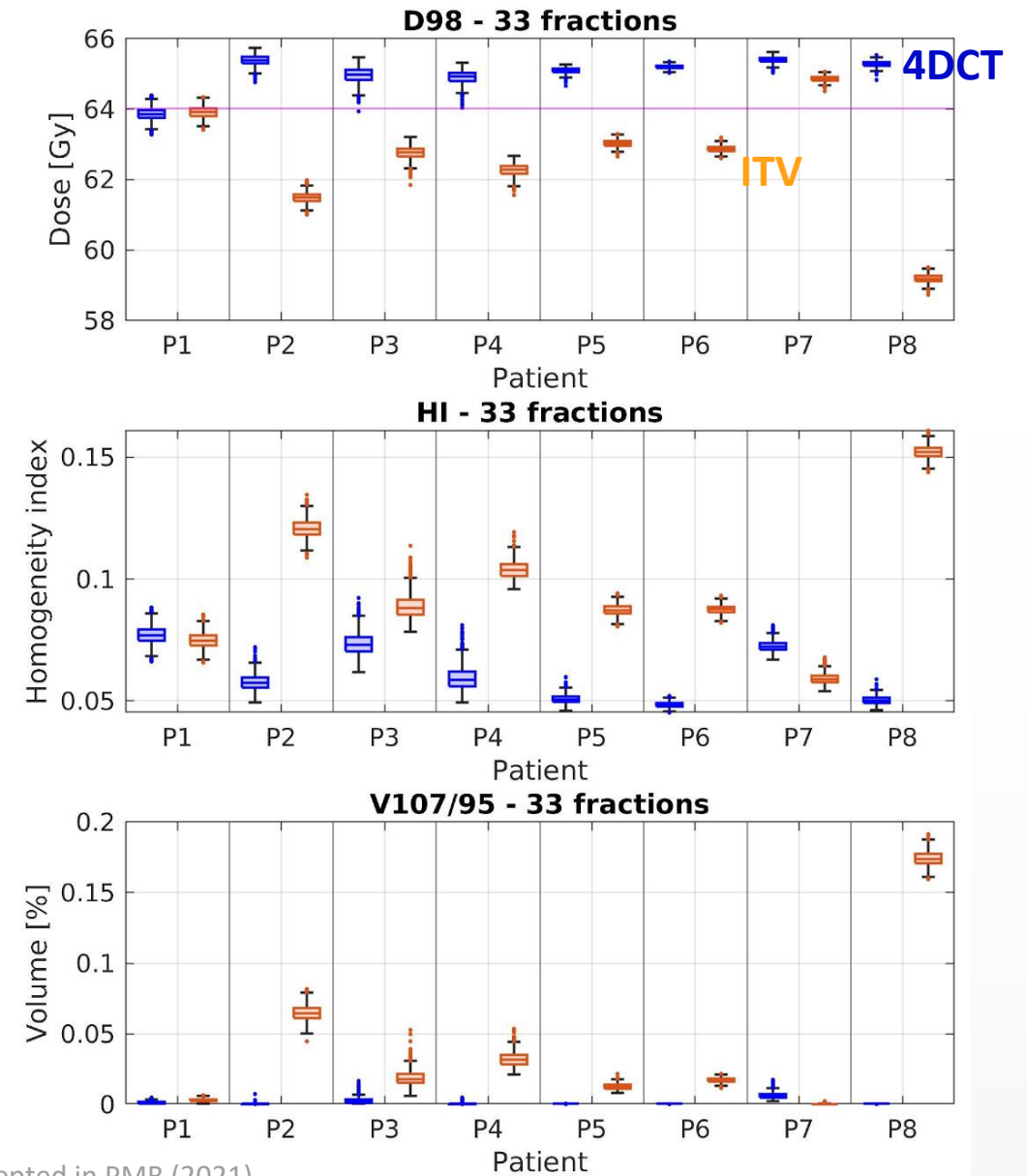
Treatment plan + machine parameters



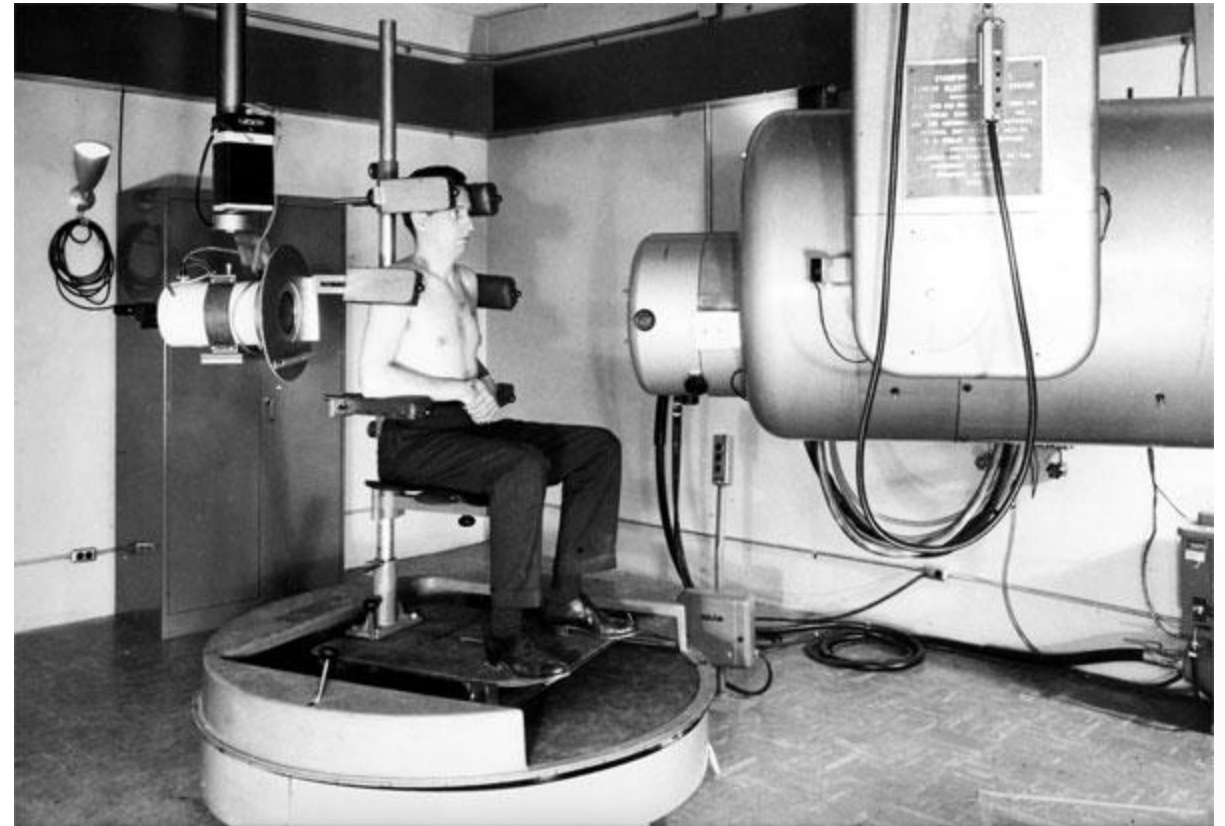
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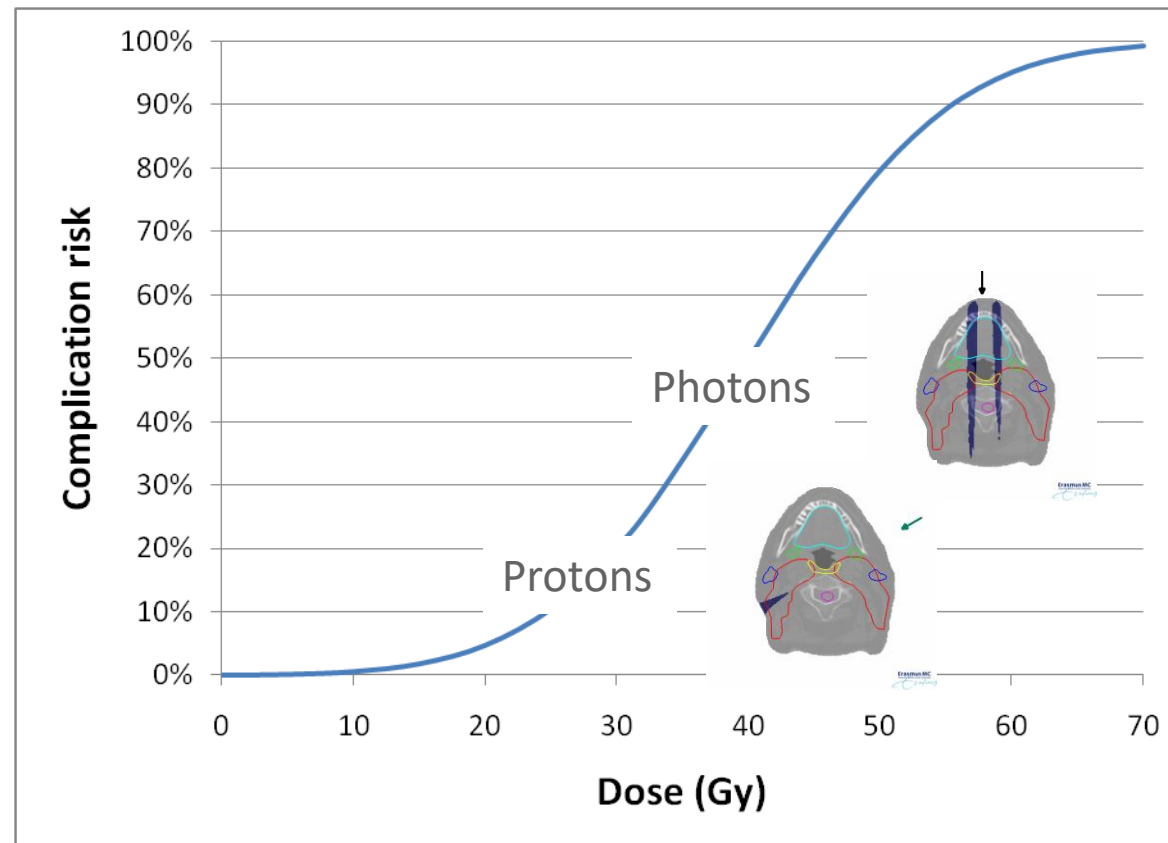
33 fractions



Toward clinical reality



Δ NTCP Based Patient Selection



National Indication Protocol

100% selected on risk of cardiac mortality

50% also on acute dysphagia and/or pneumonitis

Variabelen	NTCP-modellen		
	Radiatiepneumonitis* ≥ Graad 2 ≤ 6 maanden*	Acute Dysfagie* ≥ Graad 2 ≤ 3 maanden*	Mortaliteit (= graad 5) 2 jaar
Discriminatie (c-statistic)	0.63	0.73 (0.70-0.76) [†]	0.64 (0.61-0.68) [†]
Kalibratie:			
Hosmer-Lemeshow test	0.46	0.171	0.023
Intercept	-0.24	0.003	-0.001
Slope	0.60	1.208	1.040
TRIPOD-type	Type 4	Type 4	Type 4
Evidentie niveau	Niveau 1a	Niveau 1b	Niveau 1b
ΔNTCP-drempel	≥10%	≥10%	≥2%

HollandPTC: Treatment Planning

Three beams with shortest distance to target volume

Planning on ITV with density override

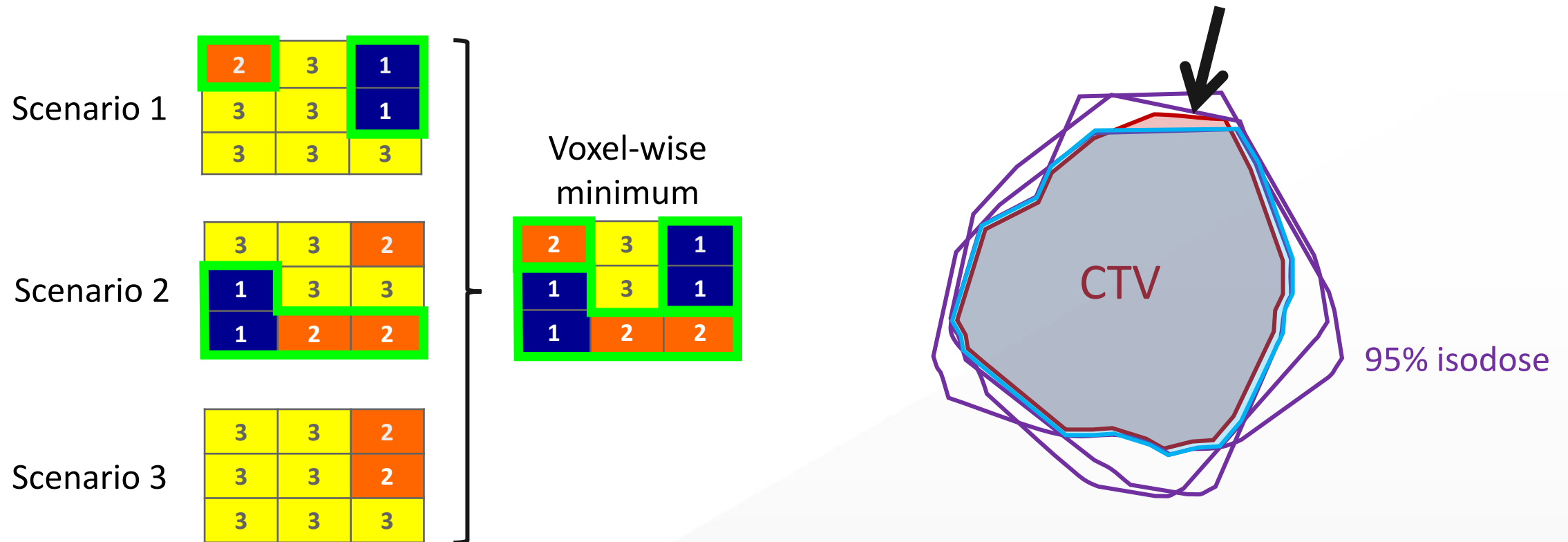
Robust optimization for setup and range errors (5 mm setup robustness; 2 mm ITV expansion; 3% range robustness)

Optional larger spots

Optional 4D CT optimization on maximum inhale and exhale



Voxel-Wise Minimum Evaluation (Erosion)



DUPROTON Consensus Protocol

Number of scenario's has been harmonized

Each institute determines the magnitude of the robustness setting depending on the accuracy of the treatment



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Evaluation

DUPROTON Consensus Protocol

Evaluation on 28 scenario's on CTV in mid position

Setup robustness 7 mm

Range robustness 3%

Extra

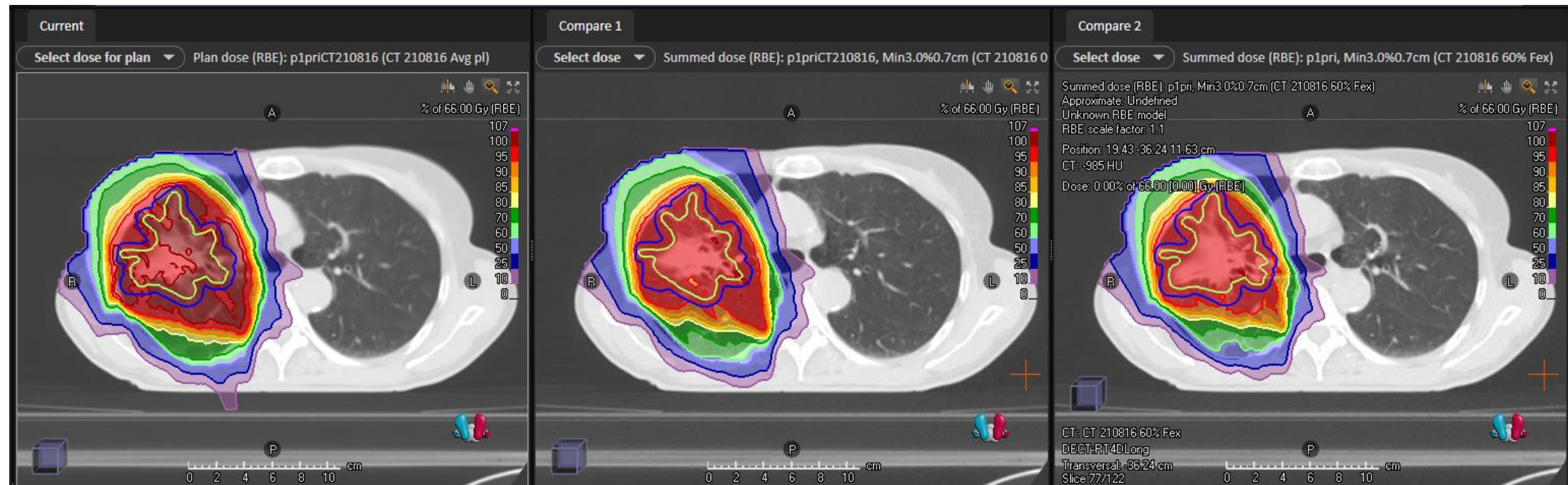
In + ex phase of 4D CT

Evaluation

Nominal

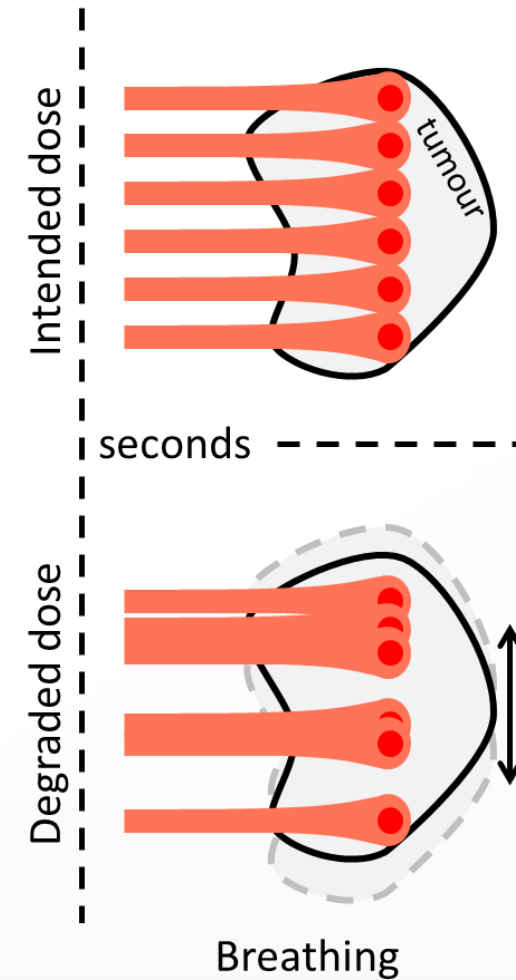
Inhale-voxelwise min

Exhale-voxelwise min



Delivery

Use re-painting spots (amplitude >5mm)

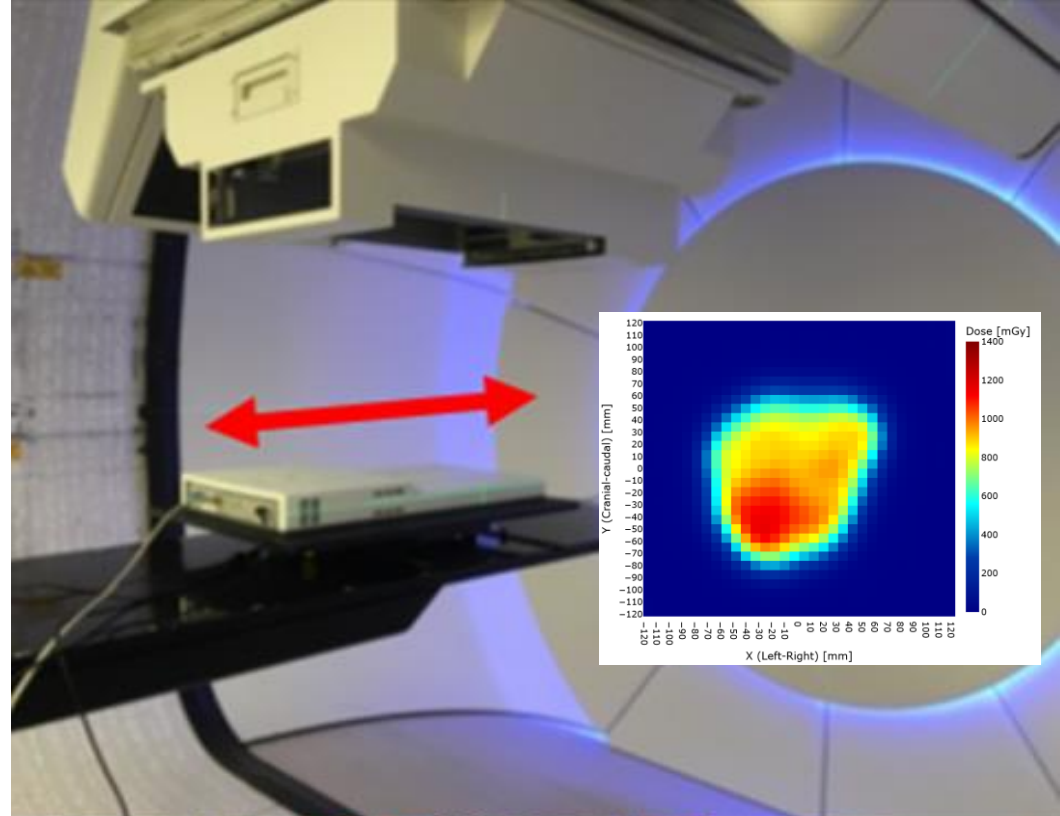


Repainting QA, how does it work?

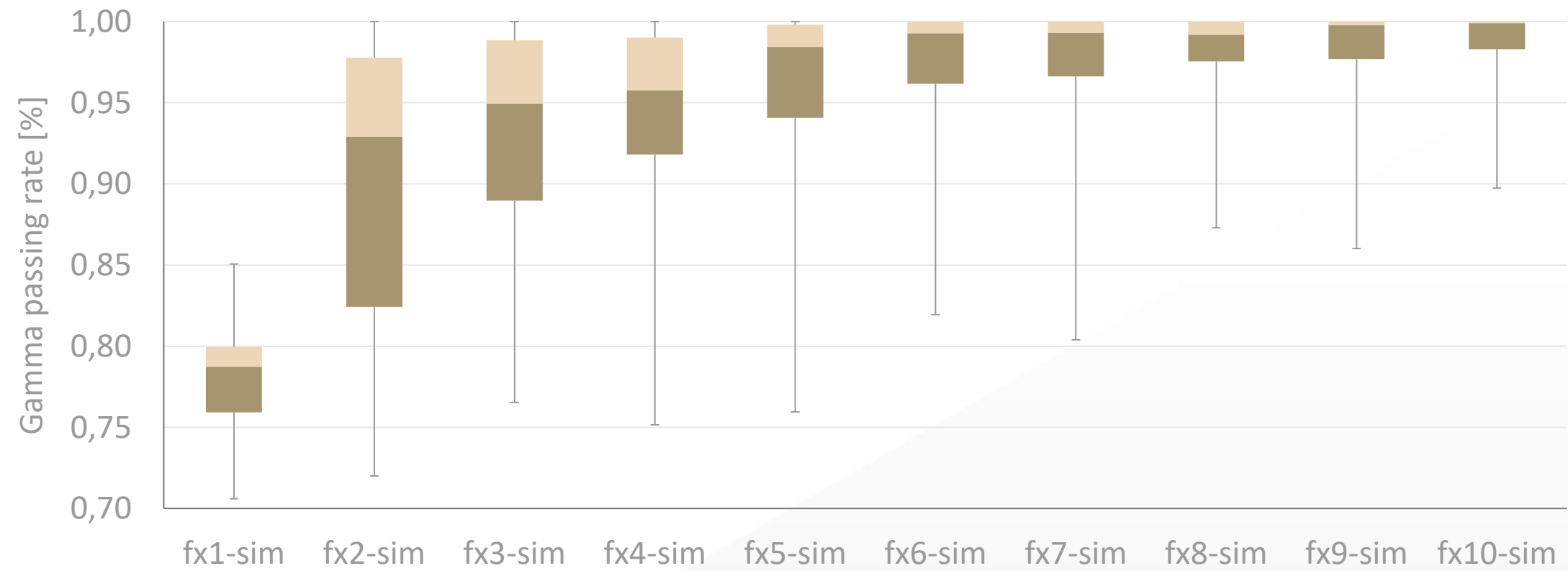
RayStation divides the spots and distributes them in time => repainting

We have verified that this yields the same dose distribution as without repainting

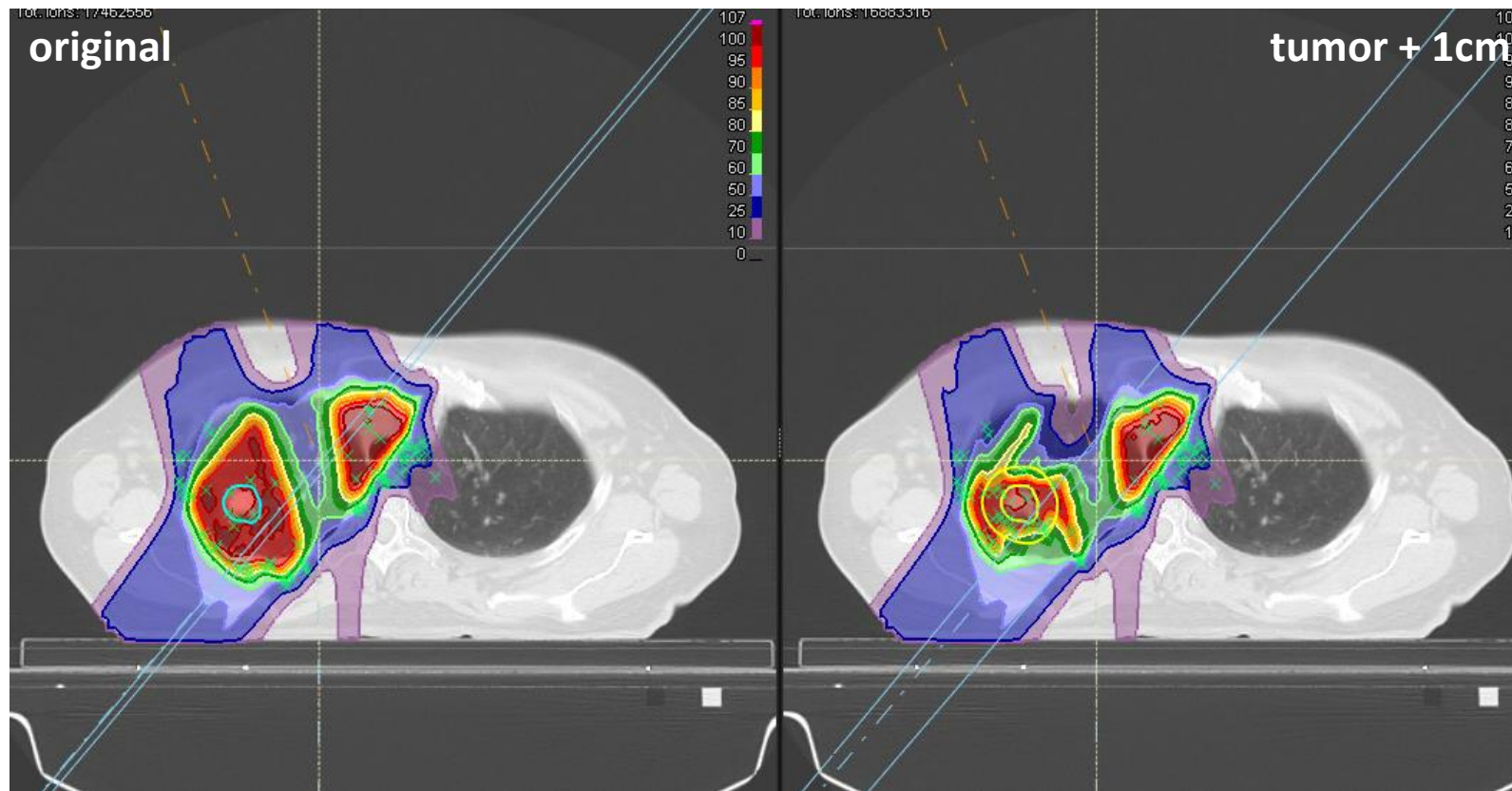
Hybrid test system to measure & simulate the impact of interplay on the dose distribution via patient-specific QA



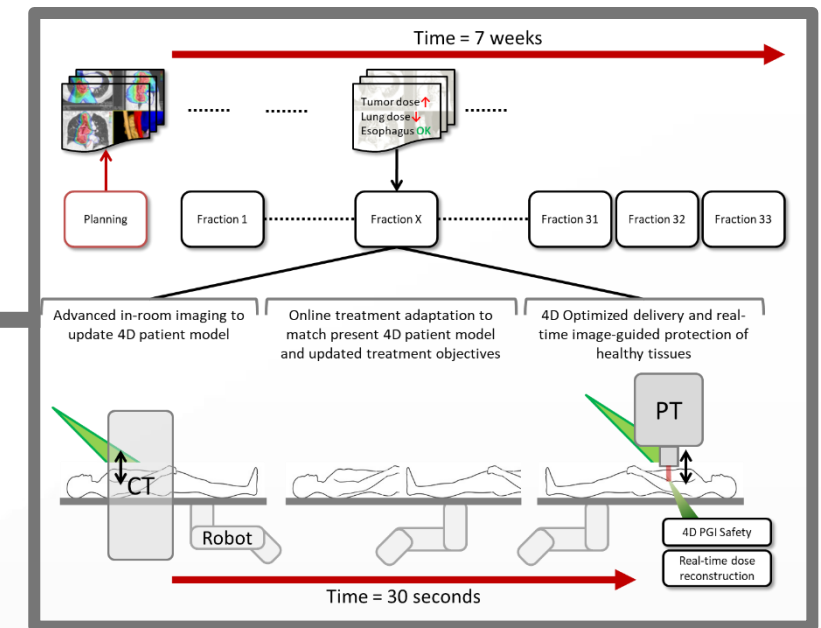
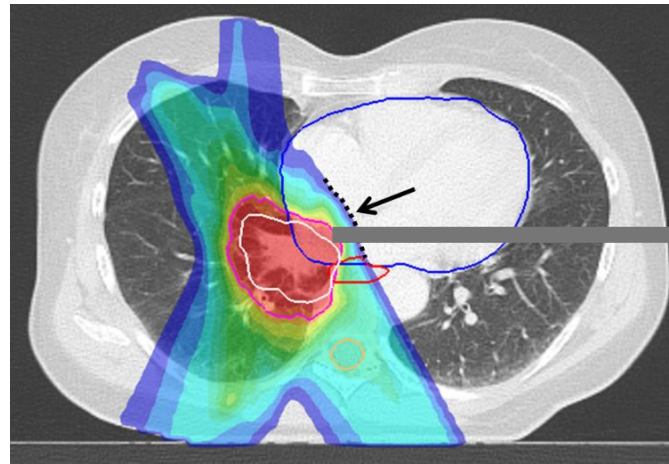
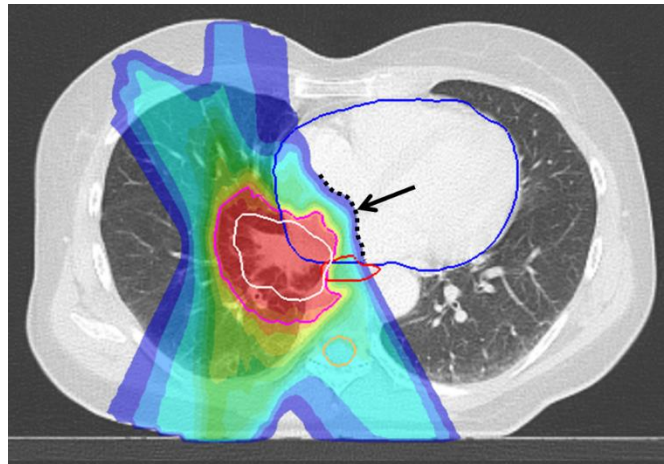
QA of Repainting



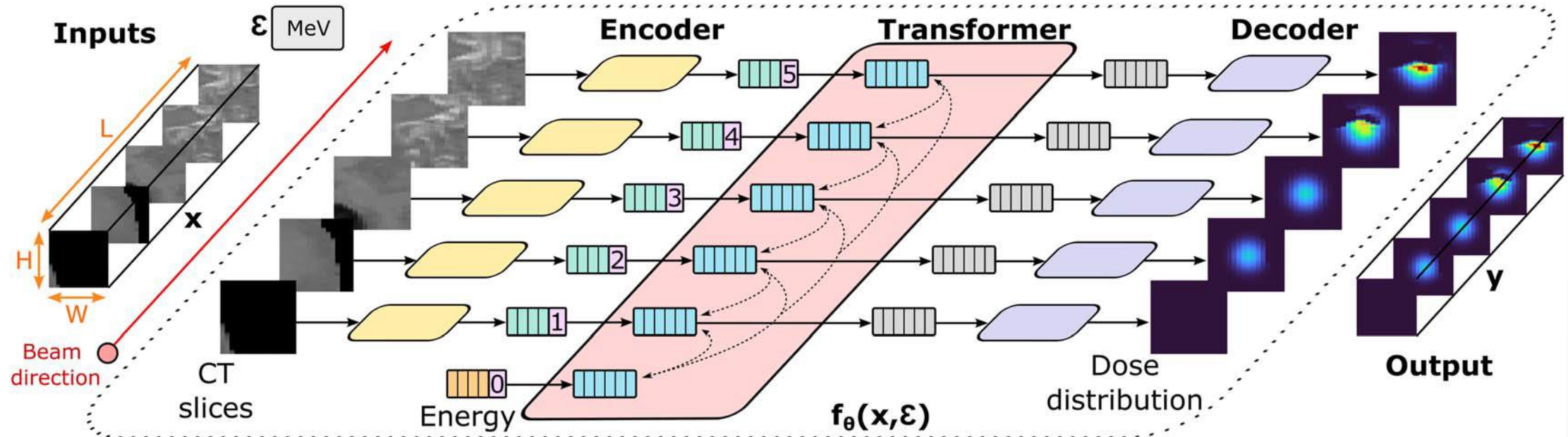
Growing tumor of 1 cm



It Is an Engineering Challenge



Learning Particle Transport Physics

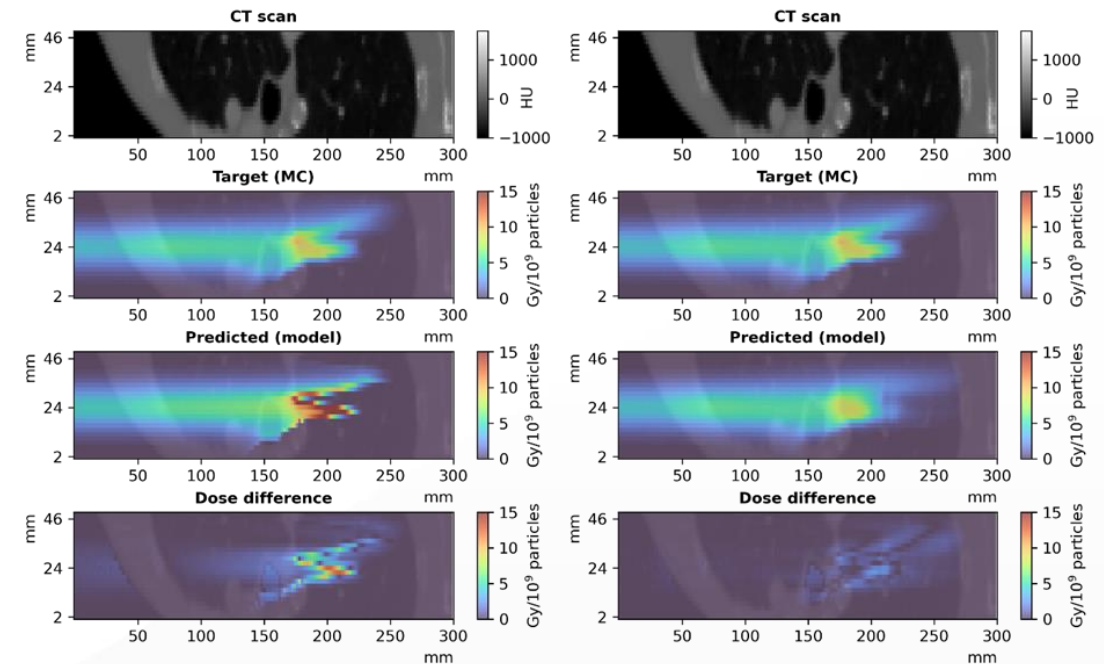


Millisecond Speed Proton Dose Calculation

On average 5 milliseconds

Close to Monte Carlo accuracy

Average gamma pass rate
 $\Gamma(3\text{mm}, 1\%) > 99.4\%$



PB alternative

Proposed model

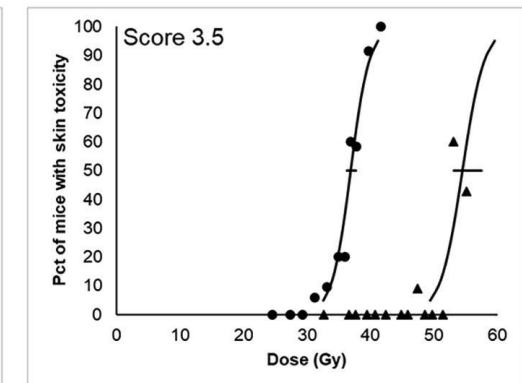
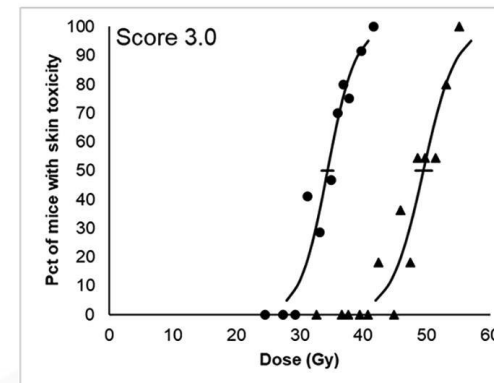
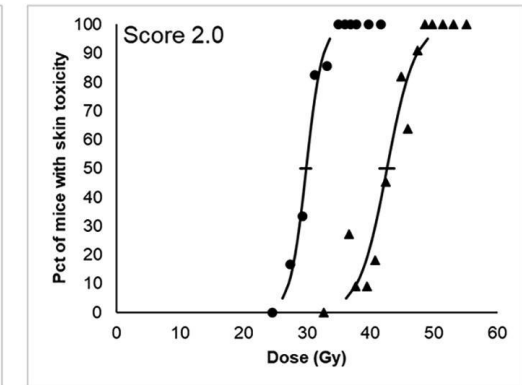
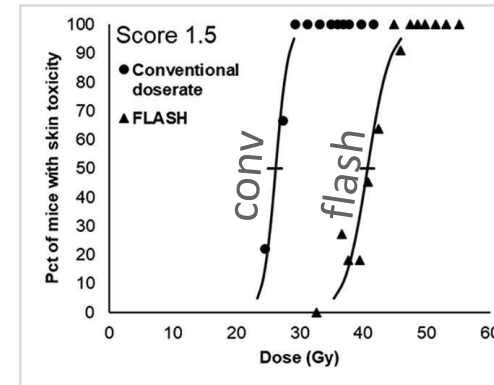


FLASH

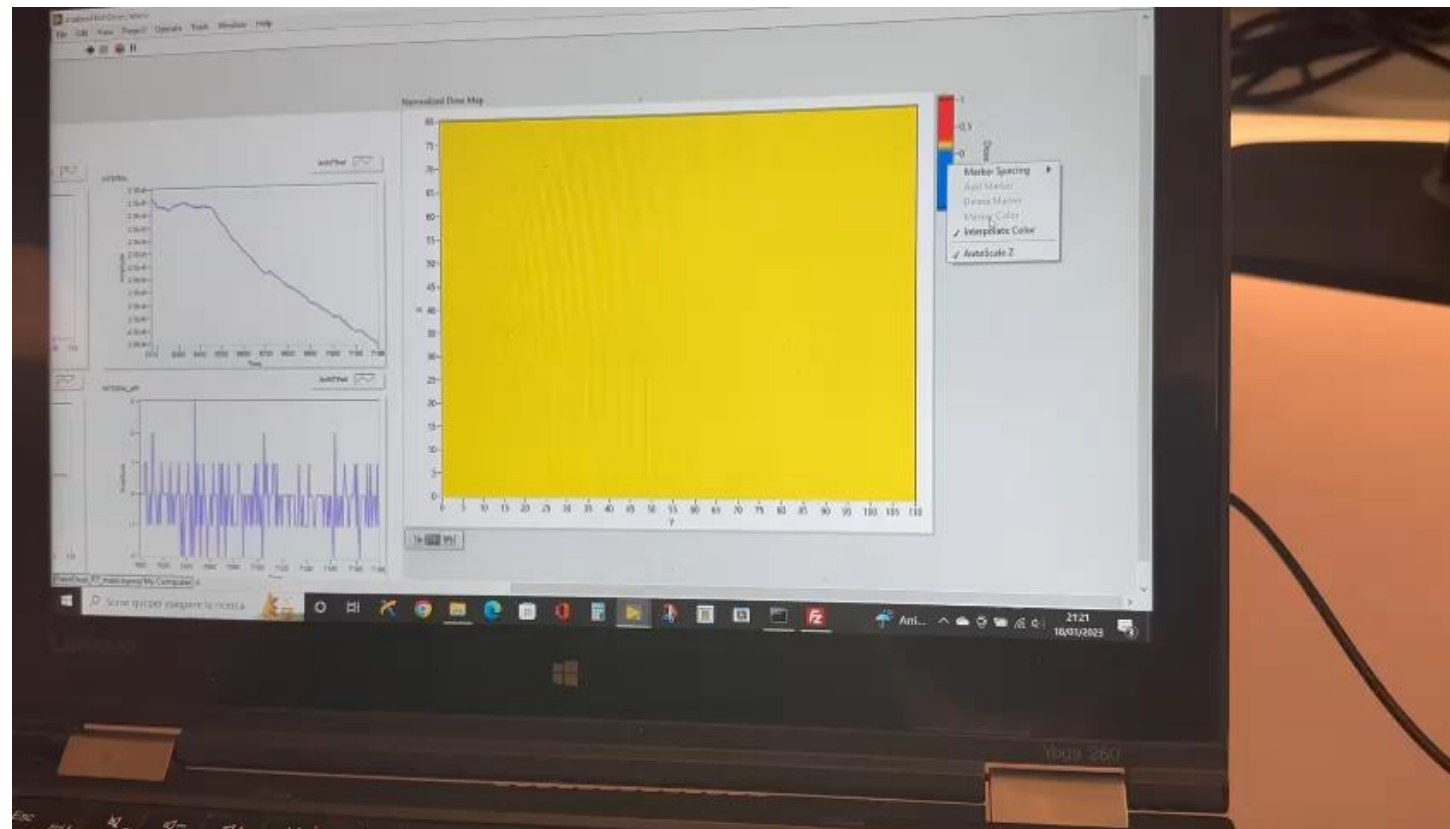
A differential reduction of the radiosensitivity of healthy tissue relative to that of the tumor

Ultra-high dose rate ($> 40\text{-}100\text{ Gy/s}$)

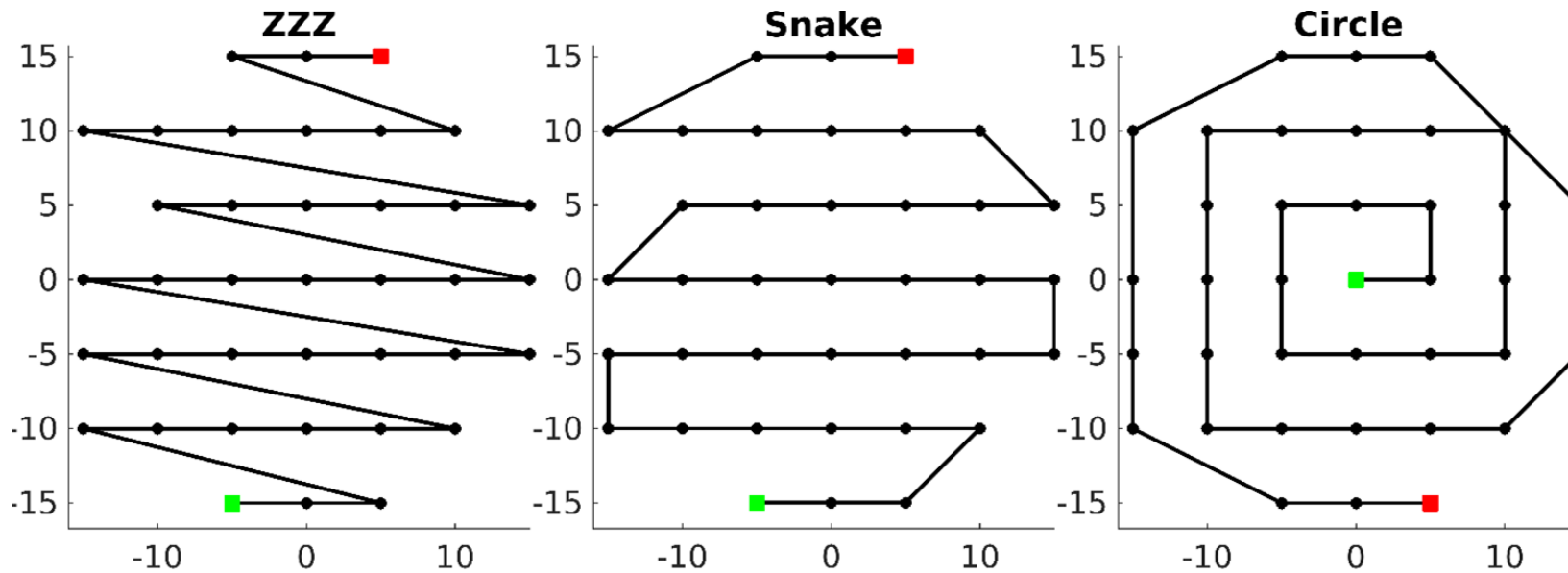
High dose ($> 8\text{ Gy}$) irradiation



Scanning Beam

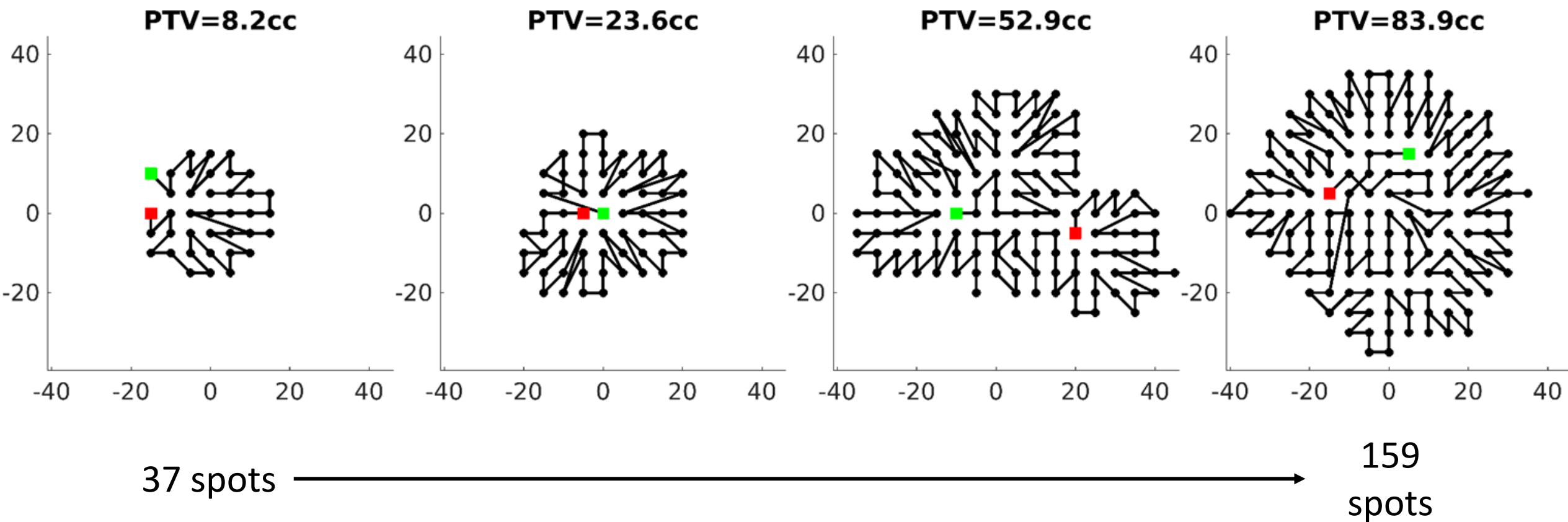


Which Scan Pattern Is The FLASHiest?

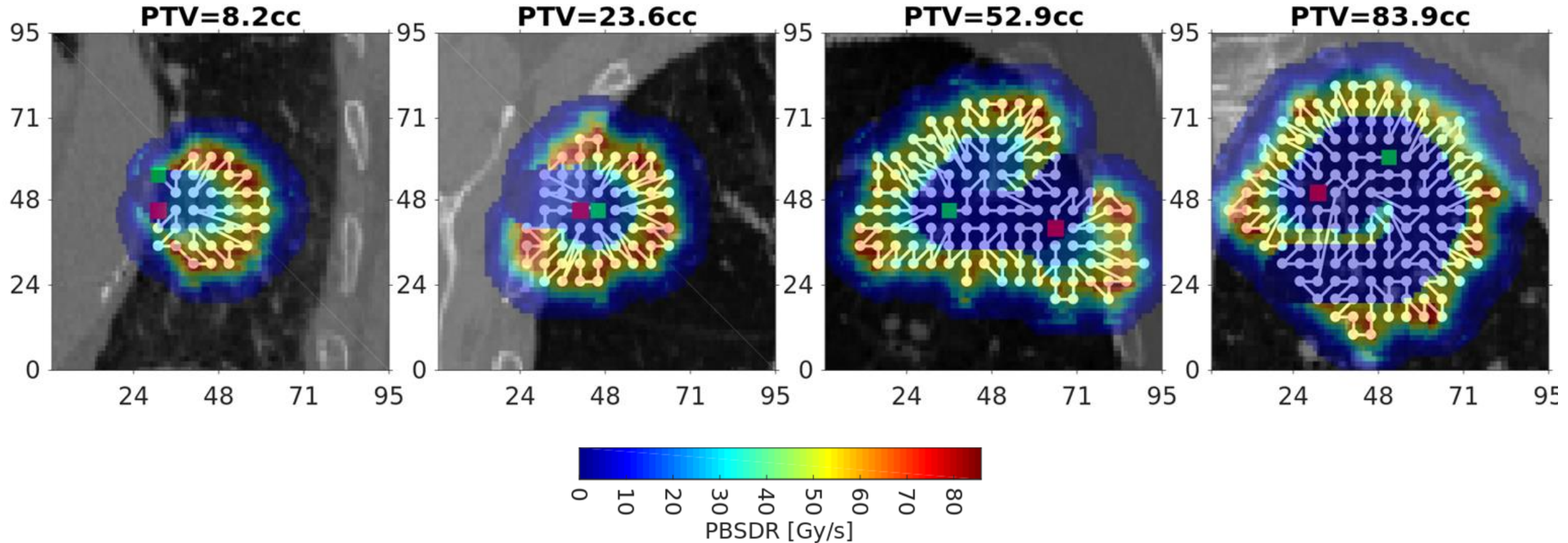


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FLASH Optimized Patterns



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Conclusions

IMPT has been successfully implemented for moving (lung) tumors

Approach is probably still conservative and there is room for improvement

Interesting developments on ultra-high dose rate for motion mitigation and broadening of therapeutic window

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